



**Acton-Boxborough Special Education
Parent Advisory Council
(AB SpEd PAC)**

Business Meeting

Wednesday, September 13, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. in the RJ Grey Junior High library

Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

Review and approval of May 10, 2017, meeting minutes

III. Organization/Business Issues

- A. Updates from Monthly Meeting with Special Education Director
- B. Student Safeguards Follow Up
- C. Seek Nominations & Elect Additional Officers for 2017-2018 School Year
- D. Accessibility & Inclusion in the Schools and Community
 - 1. Defining the Issues
 - 2. Current Opportunities: District Initiatives, Peer Education, Acton Recreation, Acton-Boxborough Family Network
 - 3. Possible Subcommittee Formation
- E. Outreach – Back to School Nights, Parent Teacher Organizations, School Liaisons, Acton Commission on Disabilities, Speakers
 - Coffee & Tea – Monday after PAC meeting 9:30-10:30 a.m., location by RSVP
 - Parenting Support Hour – first Sunday of the month 2:30-4:30 p.m. in the Acton Memorial Library upstairs conference room

IV. New Business – Other topics on people's minds

V. Open Issues

- A. MCAS – 3rd & 4th grade ELA performance vulnerable for students with disabilities
- B. Concerns about the process for combining outside specialists' recommendations with district evaluations/recommendations and appropriately incorporating those recommendations into the IEP
- C. Mandatory special education training/professional development for regular and special education staff – hiring dual-certified staff
- D. Enhanced Extended School Year, before-, and after-school programming
- E. Increased use of technology in IEP development, revision, & communication
- F. Out of District findings from 2015 parent/guardian survey counter overall positive trend
- G. Need for consistent K-12 executive functioning curriculum

VI. Adjournment

All AB SpEd PAC meetings are open to the public. We encourage parents of children with special needs and others interested in special education to attend. Please check our website (www.abspedpac.org) for information regarding upcoming events.

VII. Next Business Meeting

Wednesday, October 4, 2017, 7:30 p.m. RJ Grey Junior High library